

CLAIMS

1. A mucoadhesive pharmaceutical composition comprising an acrylic acid containing polymer and a chemoattractant wherein the pH of the composition is 6 or less.
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2. A composition according to Claim 1 wherein the chemoattractant is granulocyte macrophage – colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF, molgramostim), MIP3 α (macrophage inflammatory proteine 3 α), H β D2 (human β defensin 2), HNP2 (human neutrophil defensin 2) and/or MCP-1 (monocyte chemotactic protein-1).
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3. A composition according to Claim 1 or Claim 2 wherein the acrylic acid containing polymer is polycarbophil.
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4. A composition according to any one of the preceding claims wherein the polymer is in the form of a hydrogel.
5. A composition according to any one of the preceding claims wherein the pH of the composition is preferably 5.5 or less.
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6. A composition according to any one of the preceding claims wherein the pH of the composition is from 5 to 5.5.
- 25 7. A composition according to any one of the preceding claims for use in the treatment of a squamous mucosa, preferably in the treatment of an anogenital or oral disease, especially human papilloma virus.
8. Use of a composition according to any one of claims 1 to 6 in the manufacture of a medicament for use in the treatment of a squamous
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mucosa, preferably in the treatment of an anogenital or oral disease, especially human papilloma virus.

9. A method of treating an anogenital or oral disease which method
5 comprises administering a medically effective amount of a composition according to any one of claims 1 to 6 to a patient in need of such treatment.